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PAVITR PRABHAKAR HAS THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED, STRENGTH, AND AGILITY OF A SPIDER, ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES, AND THE UNIQUE PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER CALLED "SPIDER-SENSE"! AFTER THE TRAGIC DEATH OF HIS UNCLE BHIM, PAVITR UNDERSTOOD THAT WITH GREAT POWER THERE MUST ALSO COME GREAT RESPONSIBILITY. HE BECAME...

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"SEVA" PART IV

AFTER A SUCCESSFUL SMEAR CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE WEB-HEAD BY THE MEGACORPORATION GIRICORPS, PAVITR GAVE UP ON BEING SPIDER-MAN. BUT UPON REALIZING HOW MUCH HE COULD GET PAID FOR ORIGINAL CONTENT OF SPIDER-MAN MAKING A FOOL OF HIMSELF, PAVITR TOOK A JOB AT GIRICORPS. WHILE HE QUICKLY BECAME A RISING STAR IN THE OFFICE, THIS UNFORTUNATELY PUT HIM ON THE RADAR OF GIRICORPS C.E.O. GIRI SAHIB, WHO LEARNED THAT PAVITR WAS A STUDENT OF DR. KUSHAL B. KUMAR, A.K.A. THE LIZARD! DR. KUMAR HAD BEEN DOING EXPERIMENTS INVOLVING DRAINING VICTIMS' LIFE ENERGY ON BEHALF OF GIRI. WEEKS AGO, DURING ONE SUCH EXPERIMENT, KUMAR KIDNAPPED PAVITR TO DRAIN HIS LIFE ENERGY BUT DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT PAVITR'S POWERS, WHICH CAUSED KUMAR'S REPTILIAN TRANSFORMATION. NOW PAVITR IS IN HOT WATER AFTER REFUSING TO POST A VIDEO OF A SPIDER-MAN IMPERSONATOR BEATING UP A CIVILIAN, GIVING GIRI'S GOONS THE PERFECT EXCUSE TO APPREHEND HIM.

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IT'S HARD DOING THE
RIGHT THING SOMETIMES.
IT'S HARDER TO KNOW WHAT
THE RIGHT THING EVEN IS.



WHAT IF DOING THE RIGHT
THING FOR YOU, YOUR
FAMILY, MEANS SCREWING
SOMEONE ELSE OVER? HOW
DO YOU LIVE WITH YOURSELF?



I DON'T HATE
SPIDER-MAN. FAR
FROM IT. I'M JUST
PAID TO *SPREAD*
HATE ABOUT HIM.

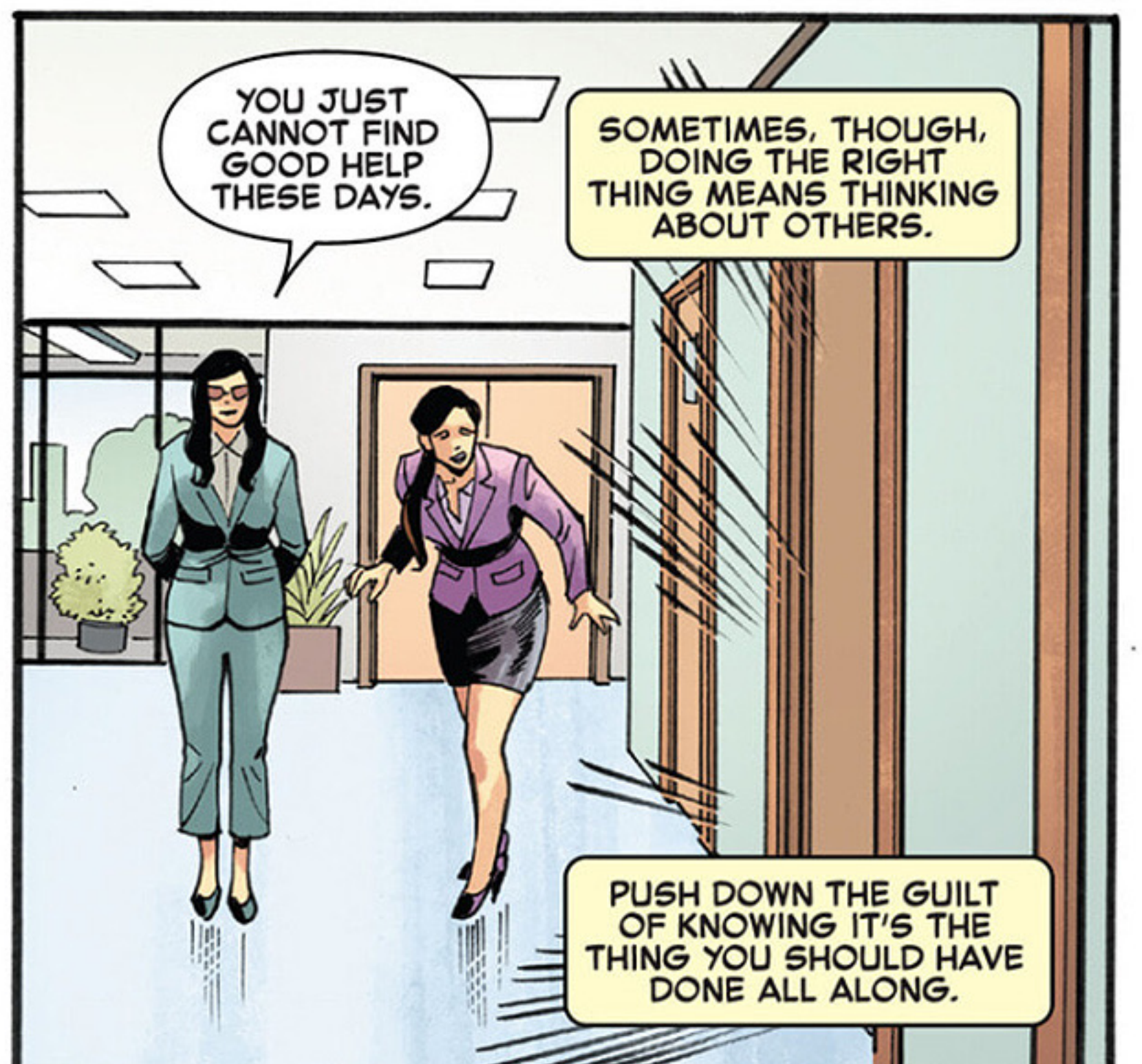


I NEED TO PROVIDE
FOR MY BROTHER.
IT'S SIMPLE DUTY.
THAT'S ALL IT IS.



IT'S BEEN HARD DOING
THIS JOB. SPILLING BILE
ONTO THE INTERNET.
FOR HOURS EVERY DAY.
IT GNAWS AT YOU.

I CAN'T EAT,
I CAN'T SLEEP,
I REALLY MESSSED UP.





I'LL SEE MYSELF OUT! DON'T WORRY! PUT ME DOWN, YOU OAFS!

THE HARDEST THING ABOUT NOT FIGHTING BACK IS...



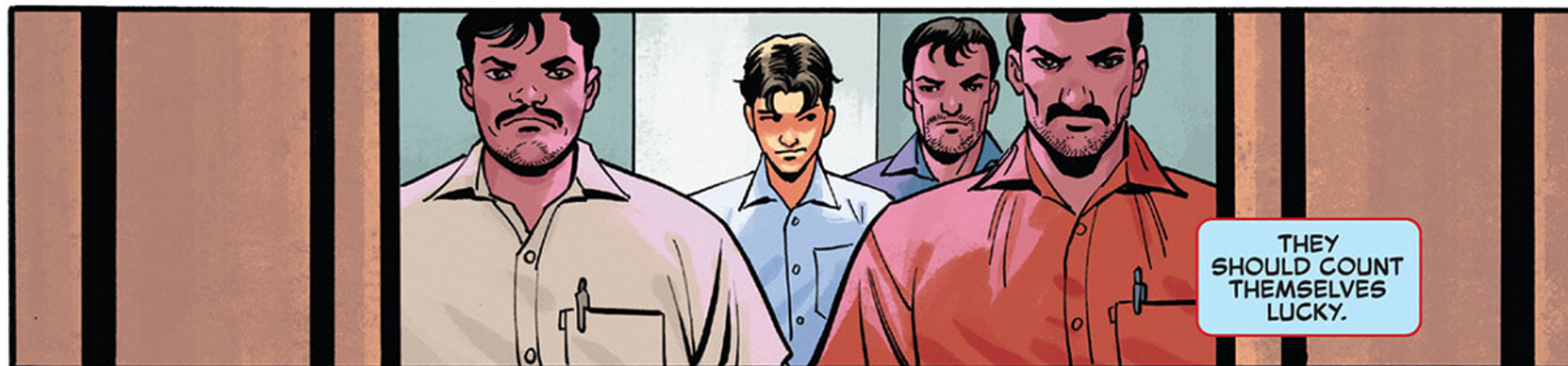
...NOT ACTUALLY FIGHTING BACK.



I COULD BEAT THESE FOOLS WITH A LITTLE FINGER. IN MY SLEEP. ONE SLEEPY PINKIE FINGER.



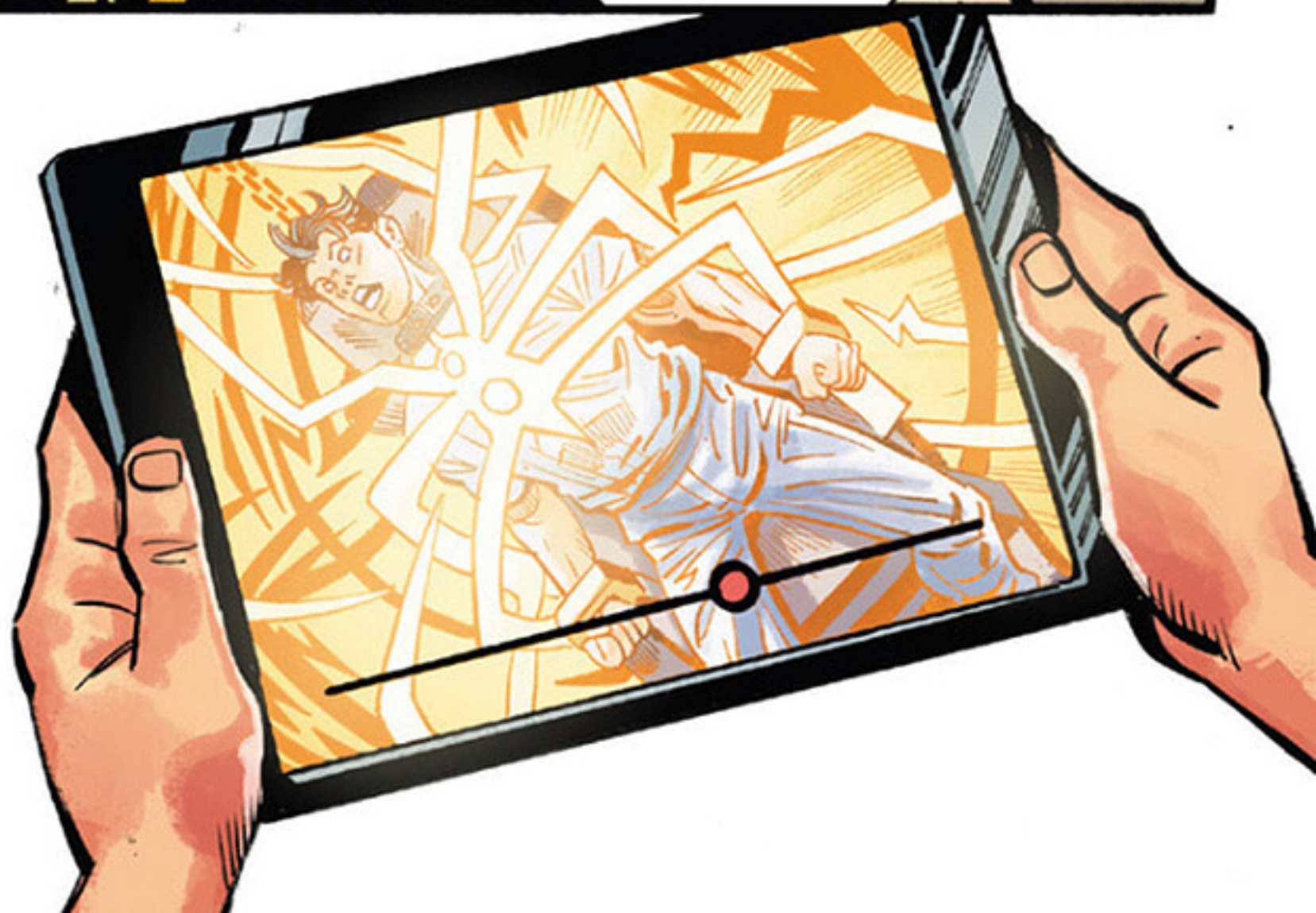
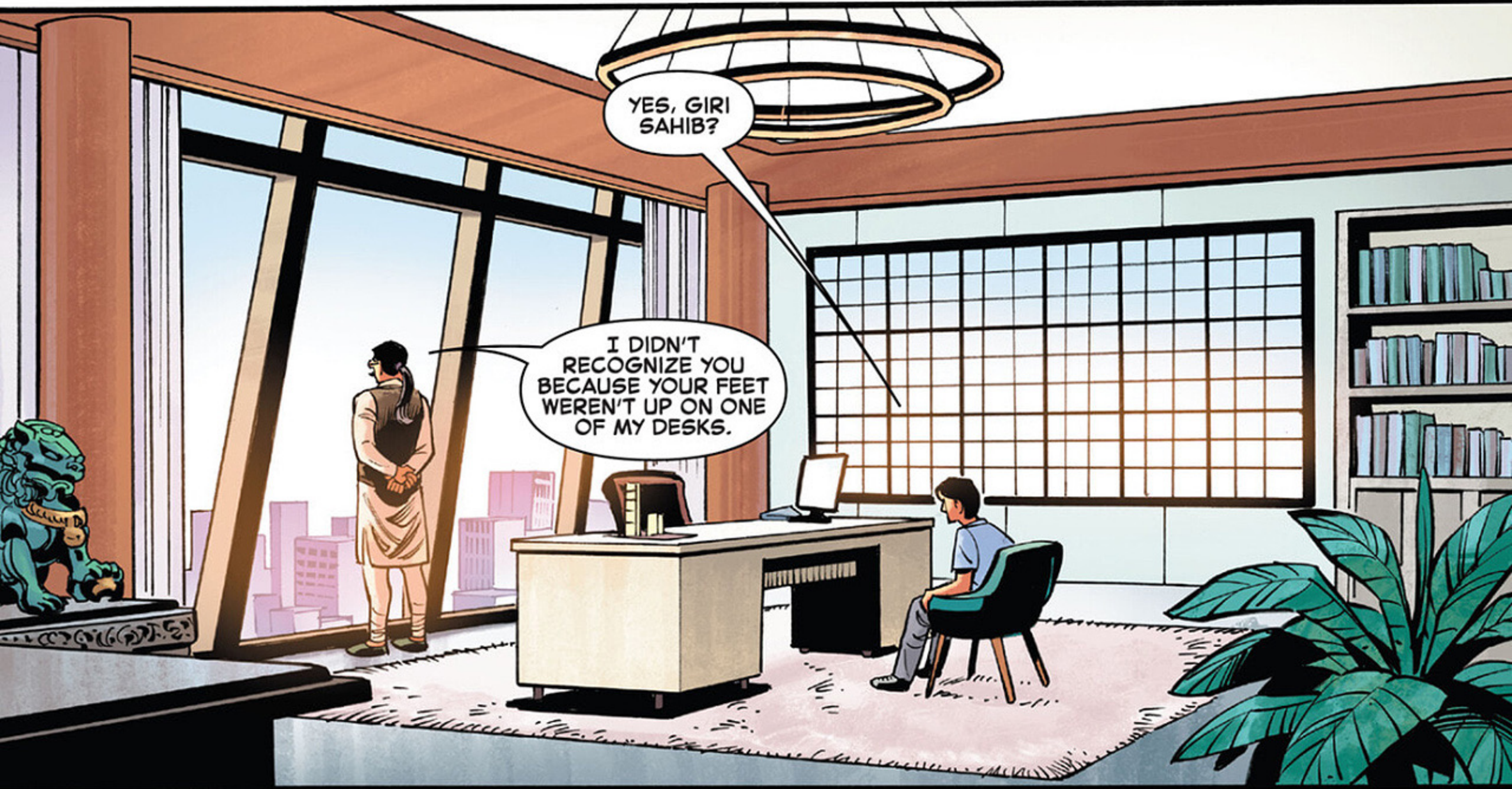
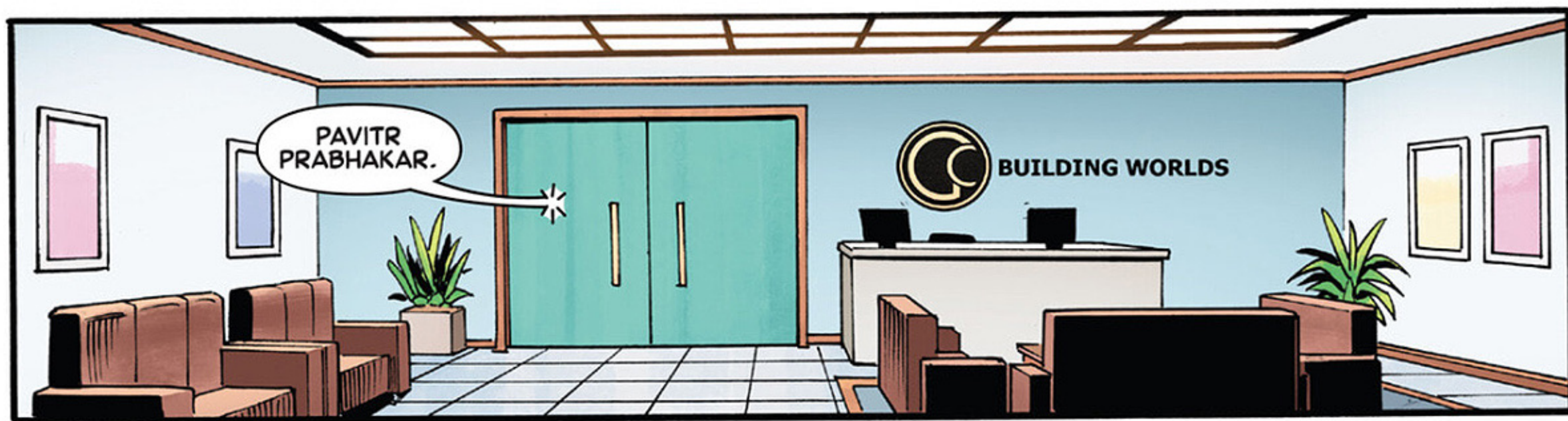
I CAN'T LET THEM KNOW I AM...I WAS SPIDER-MAN.



THEY SHOULD COUNT THEMSELVES LUCKY.



WELL, MOST OF THEM.





YOU ARE A
CURIOUS FELLOW.
WHERE ARE YOU
FROM?



JUST
FROM AROUND,
YOU KNOW. I'M A
LOCAL BOY DONE
GOOD.



I HAD YOU
PEGGED AS ONE
OF THOSE DIME-A-
DOZEN KIDS WHO ARE
ON A CAROUSEL IN
AND OUT OF THIS
BUILDING.



WHAT ARE
YOU? THAT ENERGY
SOURCE... I HAD THE
BEST SCIENTISTS
ANALYZE IT. AND IT WAS
BEYOND EVEN *THEIR*
COMPREHENSION.



NICE MEETING YOU. WE SHOULD
GET PASTRIES ONE DAY.

ENERGY
SO POWERFUL,
IT'S NOT OF THIS
WORLD. ENERGY
THAT COULD TURN
ME INTO A GOD.
I MUST
HAVE IT.



SEE YOU AROUND,
GIRI SAHIB. GOTTA
GET BACK TO WORK.
THOSE LIBELOUS
TROLL VIDEOS
WON'T POST
THEMSELVES.

PRABHAKAR!
IT'S BEEN A
WHILE!











I DON'T CARE WHETHER YOU THINK HE FAILED. YOUR JOB IS TO MAKE HIM PASS.

MY SON IS NOT STUPID. HE'S JUST LAZY.



FINE. FORGET IT! I'LL FIND A TUTOR WHO CAN, THEN.

THE THING ABOUT YASHICA IS...



...SHE'S A HAMMER WHO THINKS EVERYTHING IS A NAIL.



#\$%& BEVAKOOF!

I, ON THE OTHER HAND, AM A SCALPEL.



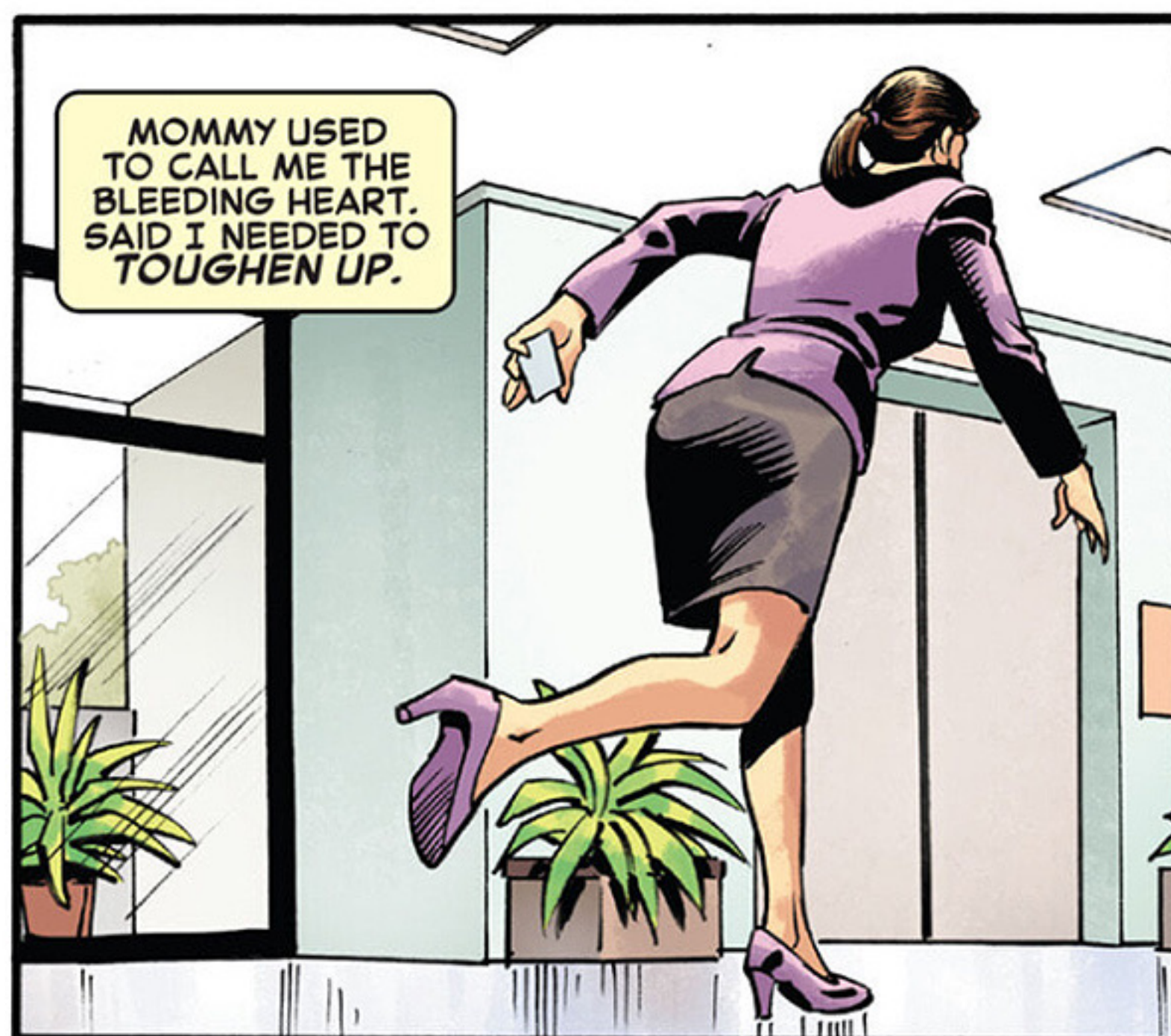
I MOVE SILENTLY AND SMOOTHLY.



YOU'LL NEVER SEE ME COMING.

MY CUTS ARE ALWAYS CLEAN.

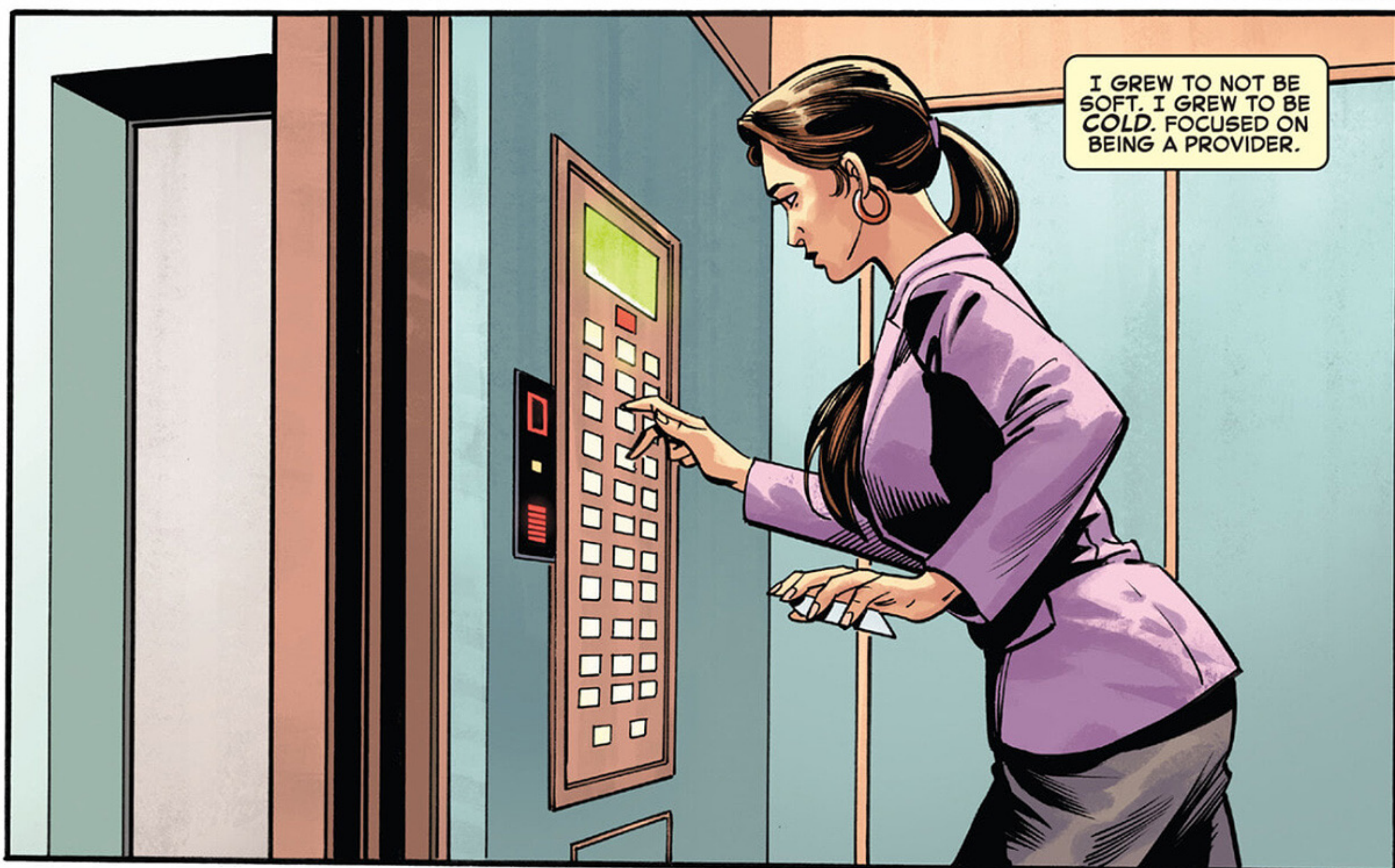




MOMMY USED
TO CALL ME THE
BLEEDING HEART.
SAID I NEEDED TO
TOUGHEN UP.



WHEN SHE FELL ILL, I
UNDERSTOOD WHAT SHE
MEANT. EVERYTHING
WAS FOR MY BROTHER.
I HAD NO CHOICE.
IT WAS MY DUTY.



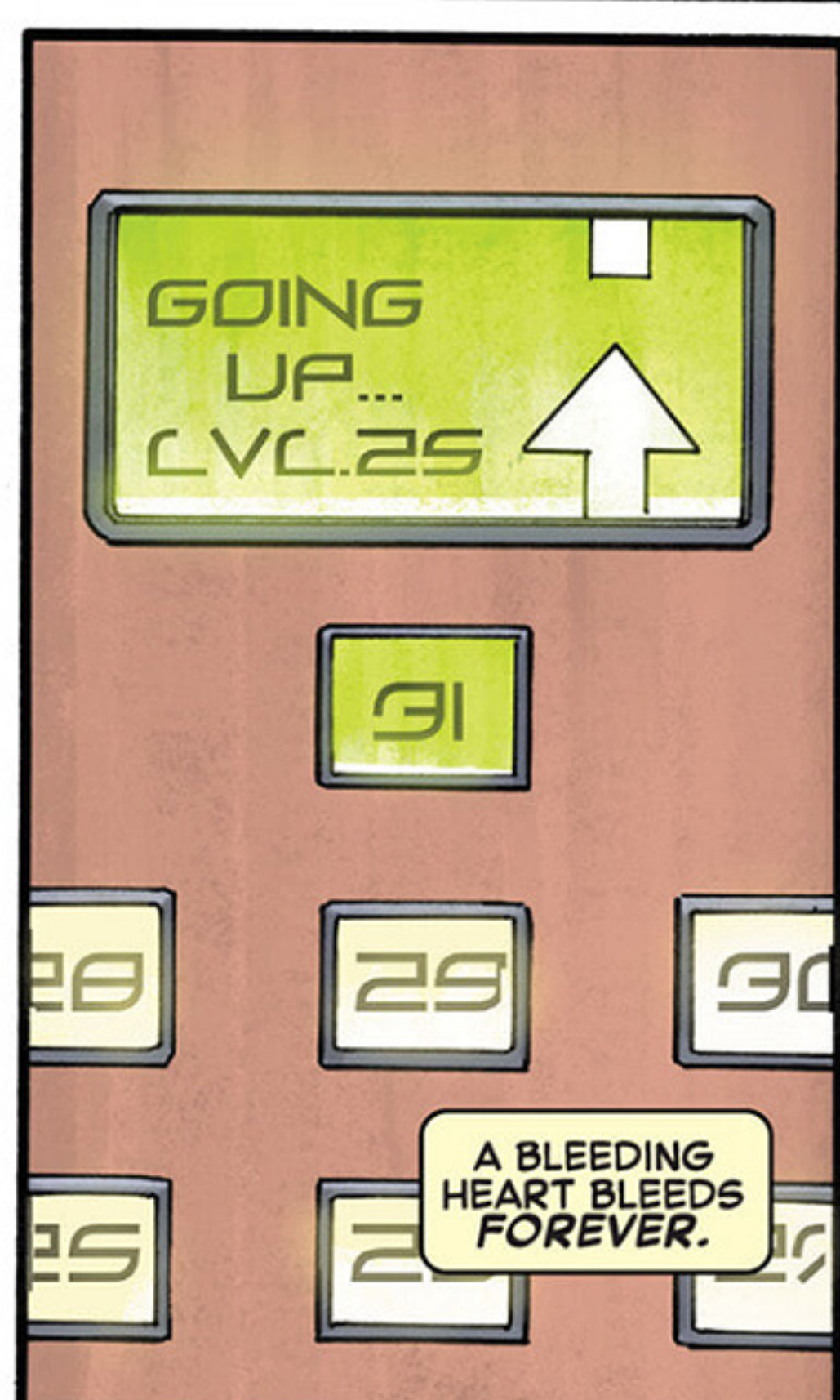
I GREW TO NOT BE
SOFT. I GREW TO BE
COLD. FOCUSED ON
BEING A PROVIDER.



DAD HADN'T BEEN
SENDING MONEY
BACK FOR MONTHS.
WE DIDN'T EVEN
KNOW IF HE WAS
STILL ALIVE.

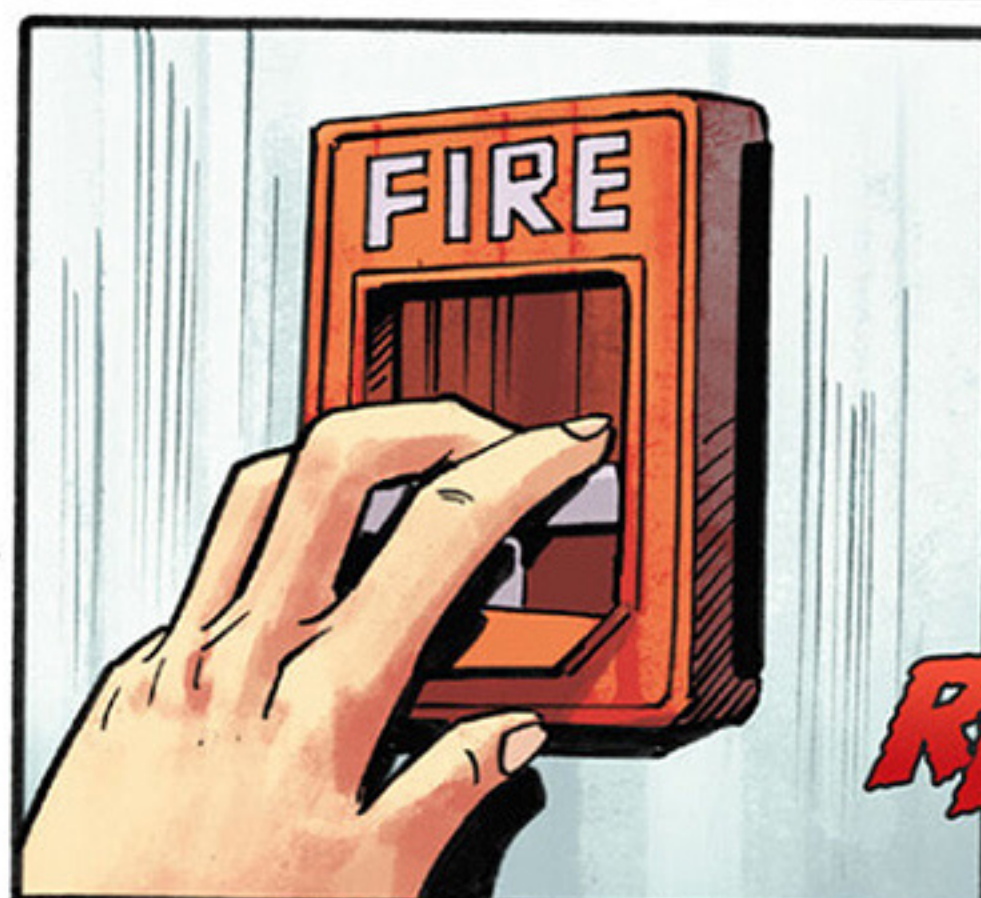
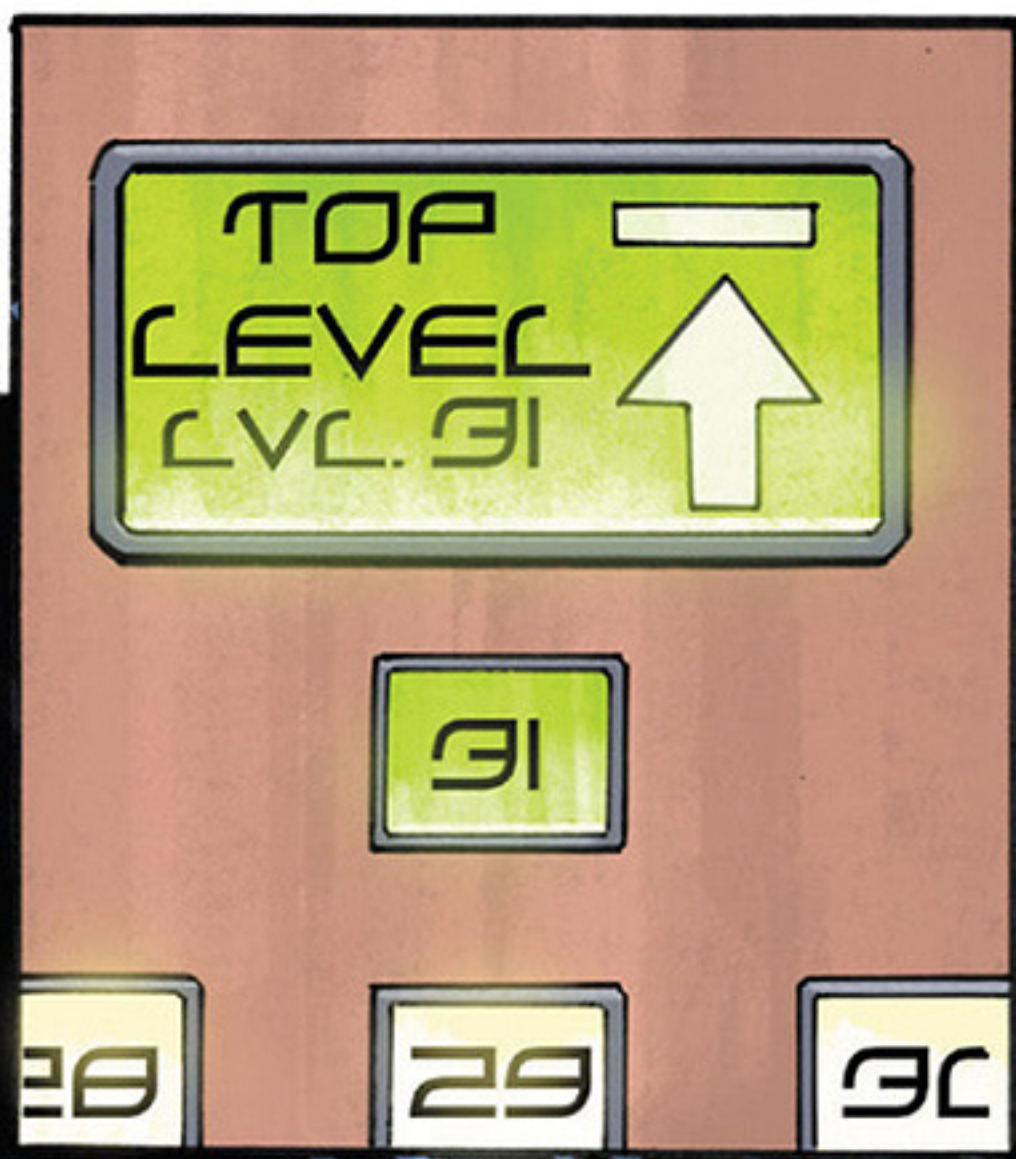


THE THING IS, YOU
CAN'T EVER DENY WHO
YOU REALLY ARE.



GOING
UP...
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A BLEEDING
HEART BLEEDS
FOREVER.





DUDE, I KNOW I'M HOLDING BACK, BUT THEY'RE BOTH SO STRONG. I NEED TO SUIT UP.

NAINA! OH GOD, WHAT'S SHE DOING HERE? I BETTER BE QUICK!



WHERE DID HE GO? WE NEED TO GET HIM TO YOUR LAB.

YOU SHALL HAVE YOUR FINAL FORM, NARAN.

THE ENERGY RADIATING OFF HIM. HE WAS HOLDING SOMETHING BACK.

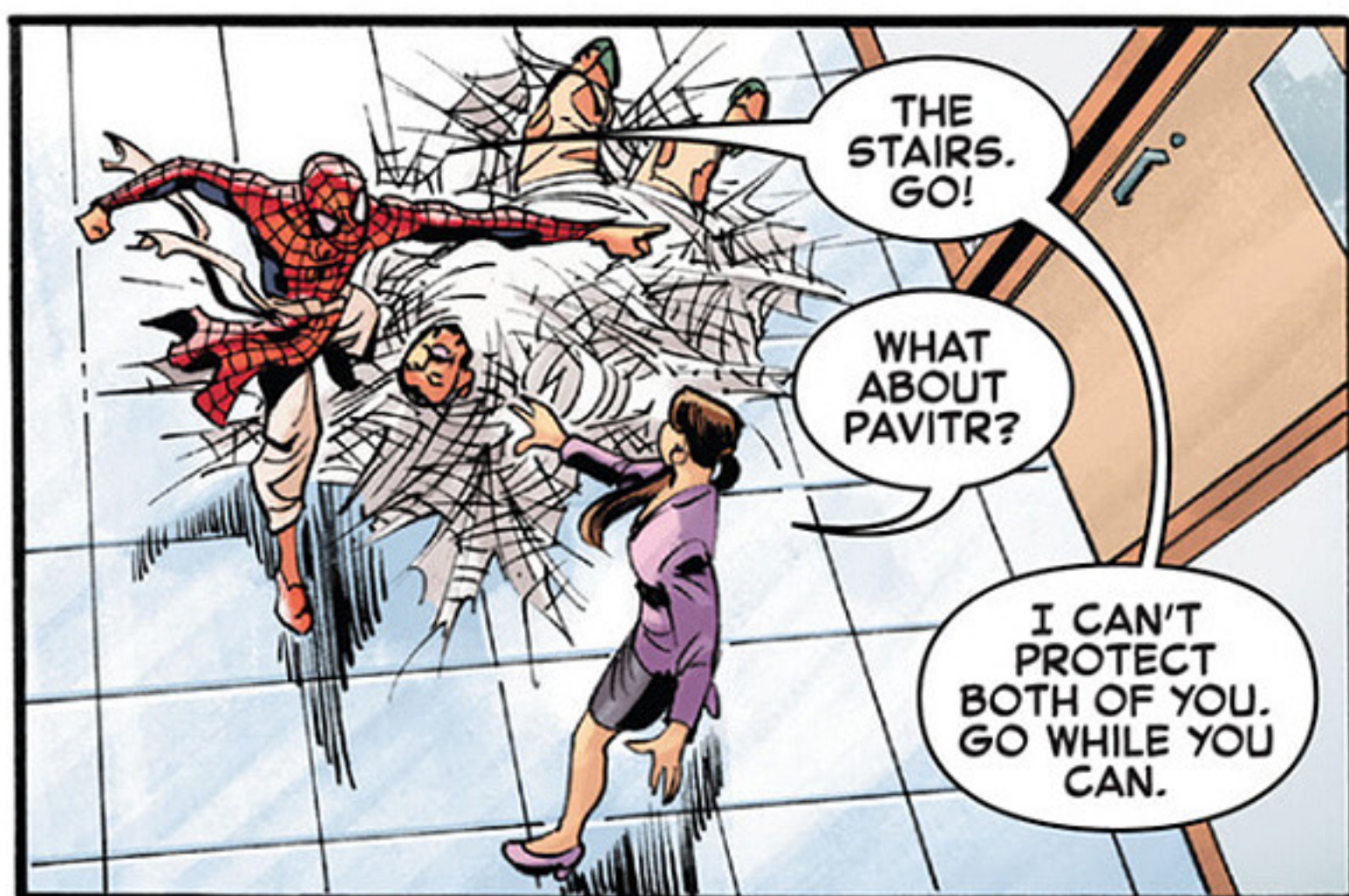


WHAT DO WE HAVE HERE?

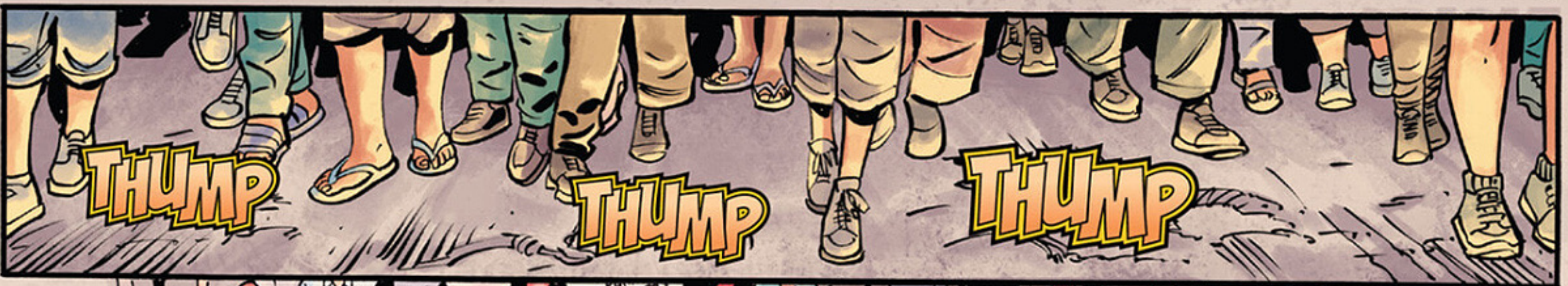
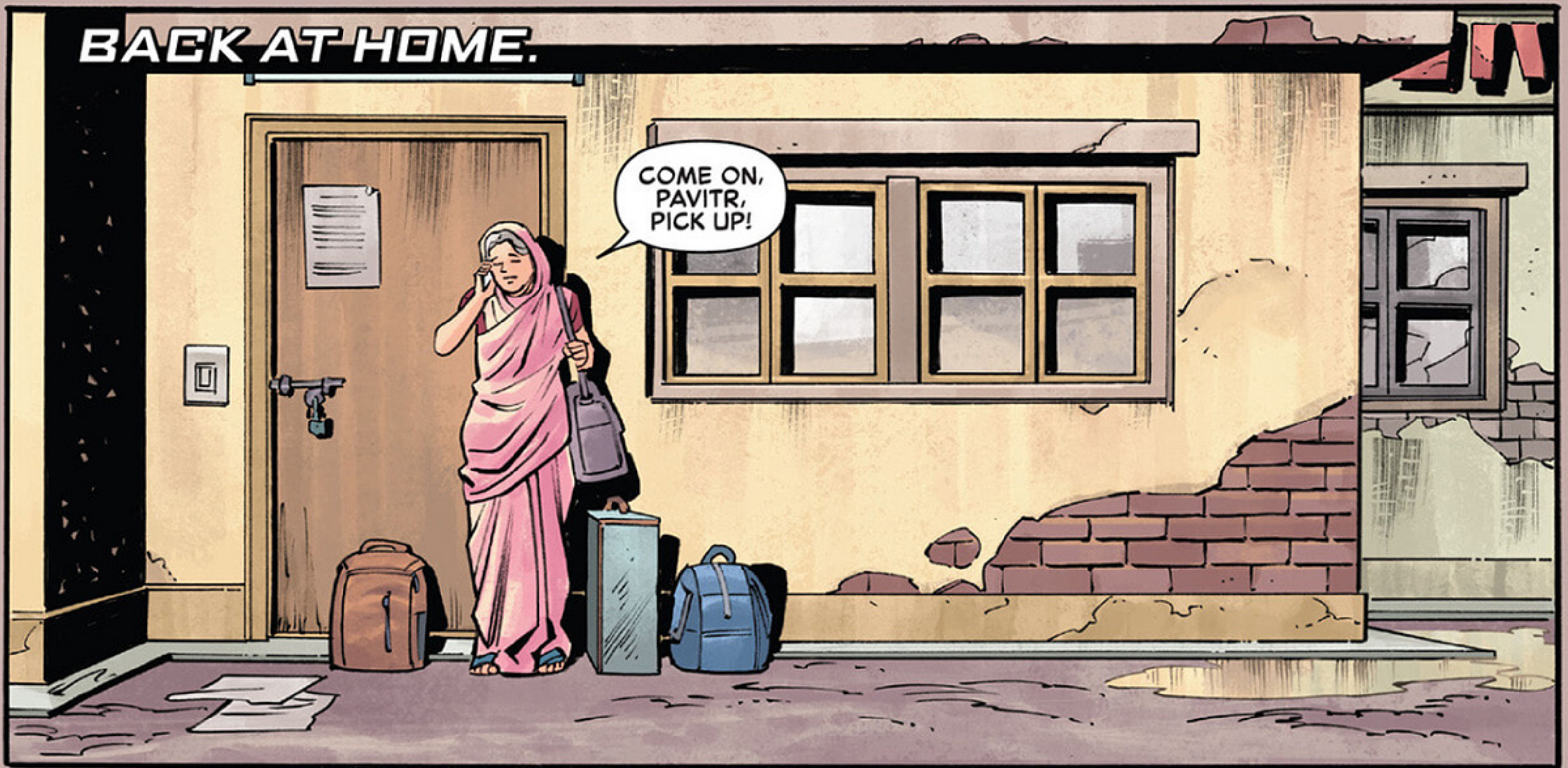
GIRI SAHIB, I'M SCARED.

AH, NAINA, BETI, DON'T BE SCARED. I DO HAVE A QUESTION THOUGH.





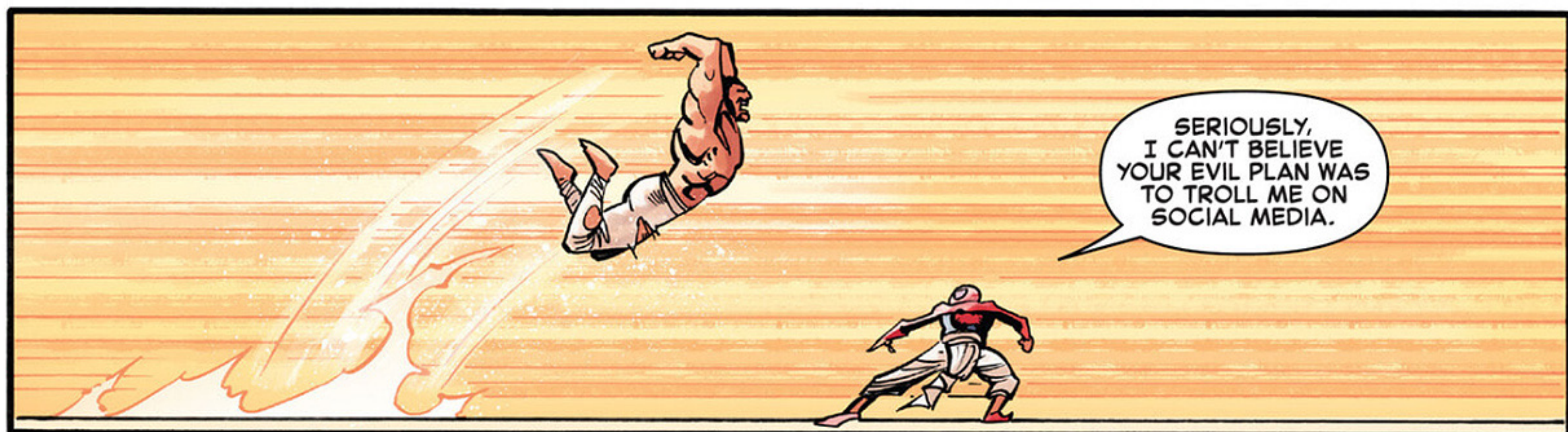
BACK AT HOME.



MOST PEOPLE
WITH MORE MONEY
THAN SENSE BUY AN
EXPENSIVE CAR OR A
SPACE ROCKET, GIRI SAHIB.
YOU SPENT ALL YOUR
BILLIONS ON A GYM
MEMBERSHIP? THAT'S
ADMIRABLE.

THWIP



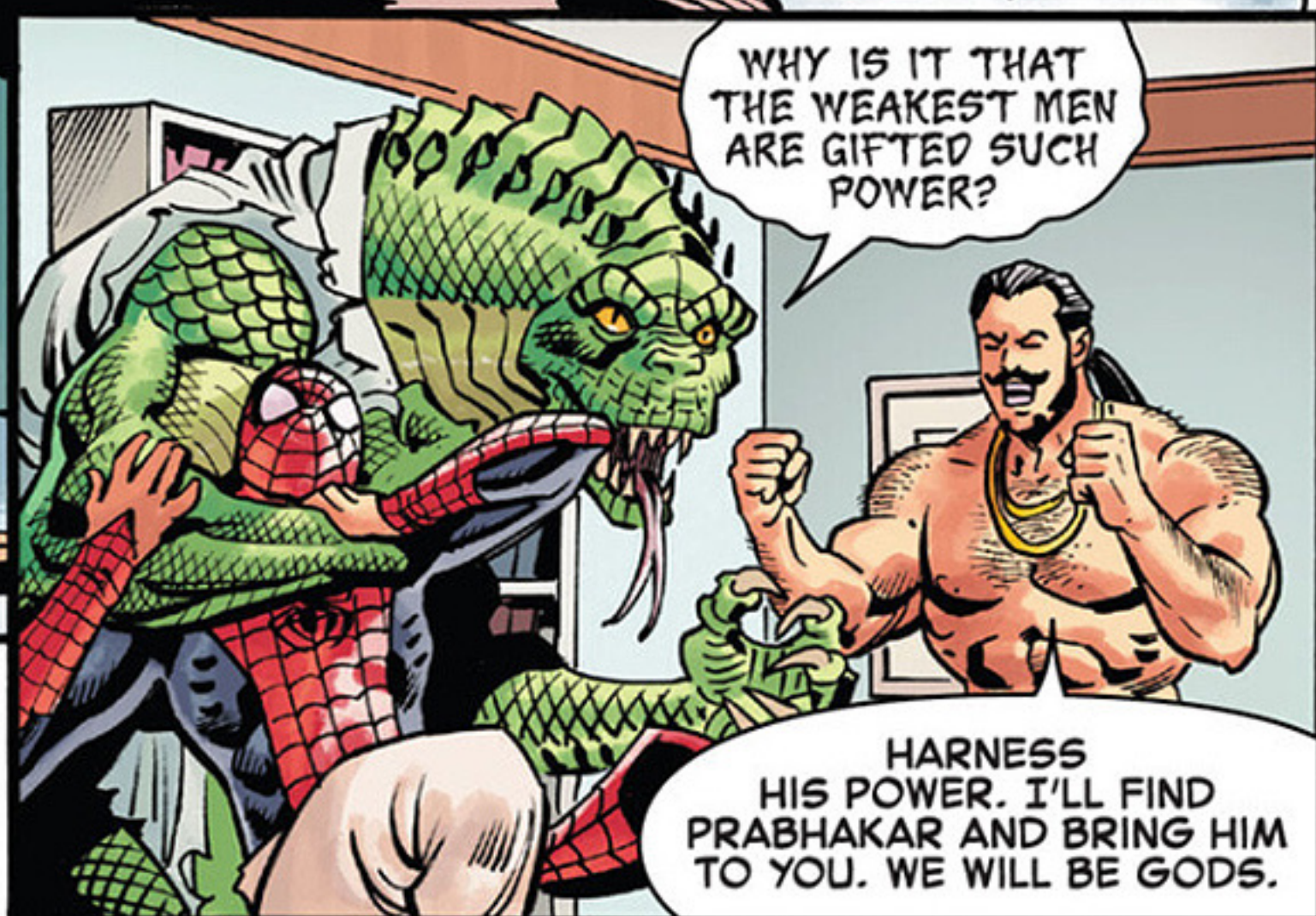




SQUEEZING
A BIT TIGHT
THERE, BIG
GUY.

YOU ARE
A CURIOUS
CREATURE,
SPIDER-
MAN.

HE'S
ALL YOURS,
KUMAR.



WHY IS IT THAT
THE WEAKEST MEN
ARE GIFTED SUCH
POWER?

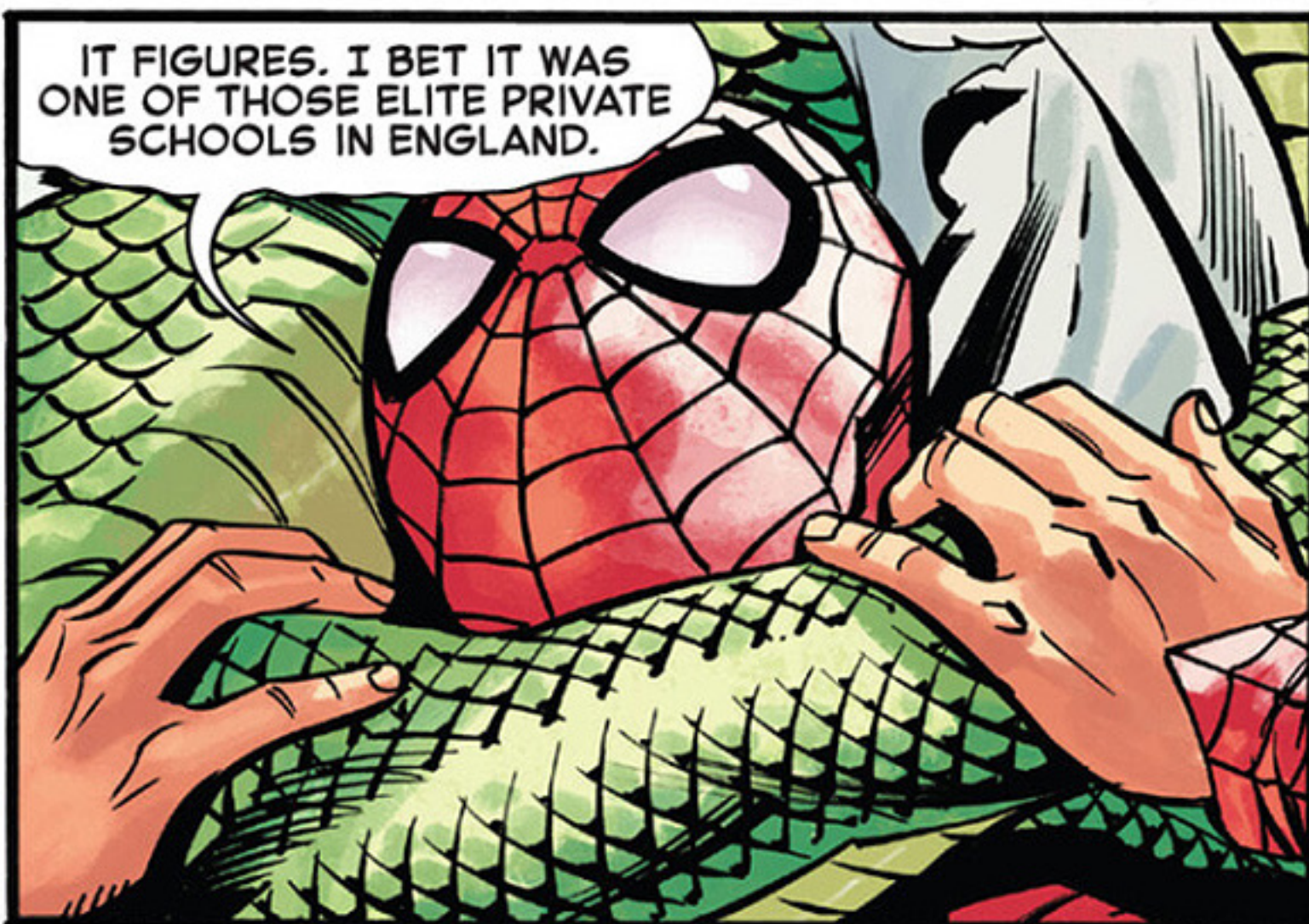
HARNESS
HIS POWER. I'LL FIND
PRABHAKAR AND BRING HIM
TO YOU. WE WILL BE GODS.



THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS BELIEVING
IN ME, NARAN.

WHEN WE
WERE AT SCHOOL,
WE SAID WE'D RUN THIS
COUNTRY TOGETHER.

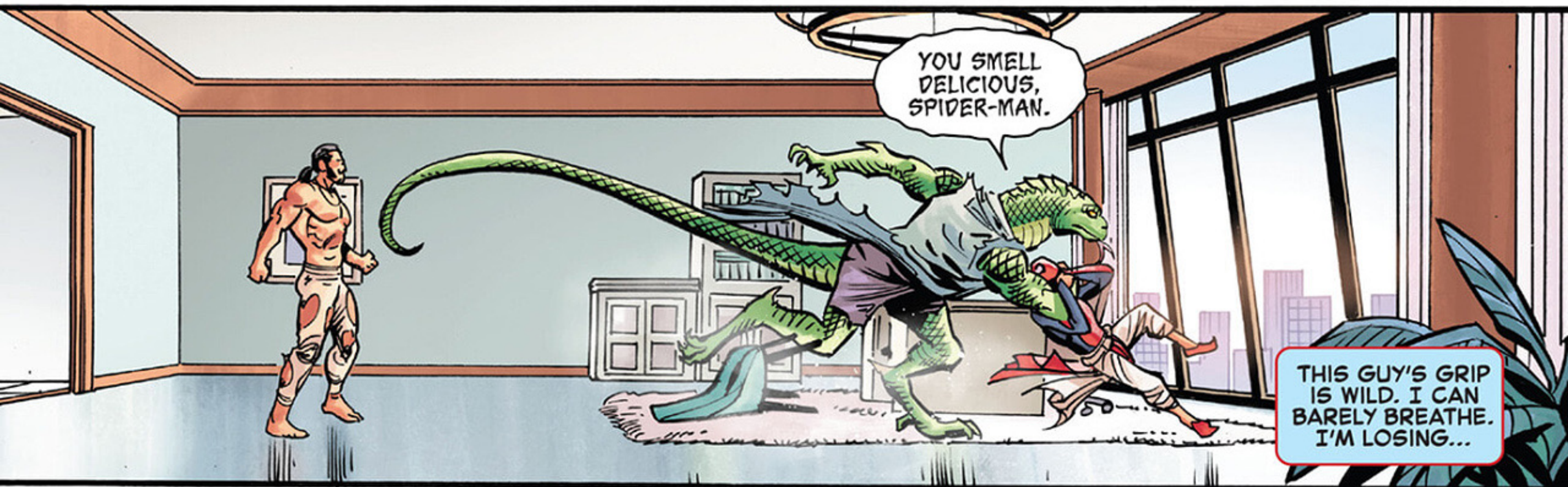
WAIT,
YOU'RE OLD
SCHOOL BUDDIES?



IT FIGURES. I BET IT WAS
ONE OF THOSE ELITE PRIVATE
SCHOOLS IN ENGLAND.



YOU KNOW
WHAT YOU HAVE
TO DO?



YOU SMELL
DELICIOUS,
SPIDER-MAN.

THIS GUY'S GRIP
IS WILD. I CAN
BARELY BREATHE.
I'M LOSING...



CRASH

...CONSCIOUSNESS...
OH BOY.

TO BE
CONCLUDED!

NEXT:



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